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## Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on May 17, 2001, setting a one month term for response. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the following remarks.

Claims 1-12 and 22-29 are currently pending. The Examiner found that the application contains inventions drawn to patentably distinct species and determined that an election of species is required. In particular, the Examiner found that Applicants must elect A) a specific antibody and B) a specific hypervariable region.

For the purposes of examination, Applicants elect A) antibody 2D7 and B) the hypervariable region of clone 3. Claims 10, 11 and 12 currently read on antibody 2D7 and claim 22 currently reads on the hypervariable region of clone 3.

Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. If any issues remain or require further clarification the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicants' counsel at the number listed below in order to resolve such issues promptly.

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Respectfully submitted,

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